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- Health officials expanded testing to thousands of patients of a former medical technician at
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- A major portion of Oakland, California's troubled police radio system failed shortly after the U.S. President's visit July 23, leaving many of the 100 officers assigned to handle presidential security unable to communicate as protesters roamed the streets. – San Francisco Chronicle (See item 34)
- Firefighters in three Nebraska counties battled expanding wildfires that threatened crops, cattle, and a major recreational river July 25. *Reuters* (See item <u>53</u>)

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Energy Sector

1. July 26, Crystal Lake Northwest Herald – (Illinois) 12,600 still without power following Tuesday storms. Utility crews continued to restore power to the more than 320,000 residents affected by damaging storms that ripped through much of McHenry County, Illinois, and the surrounding region July 24. Thunderstorms with winds in excess of 50 mph produced more than an inch of rain in areas of the county less than a week after a similar line of storms knocked out power to hundreds of thousands of residents. As of late morning, July 25, 12,600 ComEd customers in the Chicago region were without power, according to the utility.

Source: http://www.nwherald.com/2012/07/24/12-600-still-without-power-following-tuesday-storms/axdcjyj/

2. July 26, WTMJ 620 AM Milwaukee – (Wisconsin) About 4,400 We Energies customers without power after storms. We Energies crews were cutting through storm damage July 26 to restore power to about 4,400 customers, especially in Waukesha County, Wisconsin. A spokeswoman said the major outages remained in western Waukesha County, including areas such as Delafield, Pewaukee, and Summit. More than 19,000 customers lost their power during the overnight storms. Source: http://www.620wtmj.com/news/local/163826906.html

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Chemical Industry Sector

3. July 26, KTHV 11 Little Rock – (Arkansas) Small fire put out at NLR chemical plant Thursday morning. A small fire broke out at a North Little Rock, Arkansas chemical plant July 26. A North Little Rock police sergeant said the fire was at ECO-TEC. The North Little Rock fire marshal said firefighters from North Little Rock East Pulaski and Scott extinguished the fire and kept damage to a minimum. Officials said the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality was responsible for clean up because unknown chemicals were involved.

Source: http://www.todaysthv.com/news/article/219803/2/Small-fire-put-out-at-NLR-chemical-plant-Thursday-morning

4. July 26, Oklahoma City Oklahoman – (Oklahoma) Officials monitor water runoff from Oklahoma City chemical fire. The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality July 26 was assessing the quality of the water used to extinguish a chemical plant fire in Oklahoma City that caused more than \$2 million in damage. The water was contained in a drainage channel and poses no threat to drinking water, a department spokeswoman said. Water is tested to see if it is contaminated, she said. If the contaminants fall within a safe range, the water is sent to the sewage treatment plant. If the water is contaminated, then the water is treated with chemicals and pumped into the sewer, she said. The five-alarm, July 24 chemical fire at Bachman Services Inc. caused \$1.35 million in structural damage, and \$700,000 in damage to structure contents, said

the deputy fire chief. Fire officials identified one of the chemicals in the building as triazine, a flammable and toxic emulsion breaker.

Source: http://newsok.com/officials-are-monitoring-runoff-from-okc-chemical-fire/article/3695469

5. July 25, KPRC 2 Houston – (Texas) Chemical leak found at Dow property in Freeport. A Dow chemical spokeswoman said a naphtha leak from a pipeline on Dow property in Freeport, Texas, occurred July 24. Dow crews were able to get the leak under control. Air monitors were installed and no substances that would cause health issues were detected outside the area of the leak, officials said. There were no evacuations from the site or community. Some odor may have been detectable along Hwy 332 near Levee Road/County Road 690 July 25. However, a spokeswoman said foam was applied to address the odor. The leak was contained and a remediation plan was being developed.

Source: http://www.click2houston.com/news/Chemical-leak-found-at-Dow-property-in-Freeport/-/1735978/15709616/-/bxcib9/-/index.html

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

6. July 25, Calvert Recorder – (Maryland) Calvert Cliffs shuts down Unit 1 again. A leak from a monitoring instrument line on Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant's Unit 1 near Lusby, Maryland, resulted in the second shutdown of the unit in the same week, the Calvert Recorder reported July 25. The leak from a reactor coolant pump differential-pressure sensing line, which is for monitoring purposes only, was first noticed July 17. After the initial leak, Constellation Energy Nuclear Group shut down the unit for maintenance. However, during a check July 21, the crews noticed the same small drip. The unit again was shut down, and maintenance crews were "replacing the whole [tubing]," a plant spokesman said. The leak posed no threat to plant operators or the public.

Source: http://www.somdnews.com/article/20120725/NEWS/707259759/1057/calvert-cliffs-shuts-down-unit-1-again&template=southernMaryland

7. July 25, Harrisburg Patriot-News – (Pennsylvania) TMI reports 'slightly elevated' level of tritium in one of 55 wells on the plant that monitor groundwater. Slightly elevated levels of tritium were detected in one of 55 wells that monitor groundwater at Three Mile Island Nuclear Generating Station in Londonderry Township, Pennsylvania, plant operator Exelon Corp. said July 25. The company said the tritium was contained on plant property and poses no danger to the public. Follow-up tests showed declining levels of tritium in the well, although the source of the tritium has not been identified. An Exelon spokesman said the firm was checking tanks, pipes, and valves for leaks. Plant officials were also examining records and documents to see if a spill occurred on the plant.

Source:

http://www.pennlive.com/midstate/index.ssf/2012/07/tmi_reports_slightly_elevated.ht ml

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

8. July 25, U.S. Department of Labor – (Nebraska) U.S. Labor Department's OSHA cites Schuld/Bushnell with repeat safety violations after follow-up inspection at Valley, Neb., tank manufacturing plant. The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration July 25 cited Bushnell Illinois Tank Co., which operates as Schuld/Bushnell in Valley, Nebraska, with eight safety and health violations based on a follow-up inspection for hazards associated with workers who enter and work in permit-required confined spaces. Proposed penalties totaled \$116,270. A willful violation was cited for the presence of confined space hazards without an employer permit-required confined space program. Workers entered tanks to weld the bottom to the cylinder, attach ladders and aeration fans, and apply sealant in the finishing area. Four repeat violations involved failing to provide a permit-required confined space hazard evaluation prior to employee entry, provide appropriate equipment for making permit-required confined space entries, test and monitor permitrequired confined space conditions prior to entry, and train workers on entering permitrequired confined spaces. Two serious violations related to a lack of worker training to establish proficiency in permit-required confined space procedures and a lack of determination regarding exposure of employees to the chemical hexavalent chromium. An other-than-serious violation was also cited.

Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEAS_ES&p_id=22755

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

- 9. July 26, Associated Press (International) F-16s grounded after crash off Japan. A squadron of U.S. F-16 fighter jets in Japan was grounded for safety checks after one of the aircraft crashed in the Pacific, military officials said July 26. The F-16 with the 35th Fighter Squadron at Misawa Air Base crashed July 22, about 250 miles off the coast of Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost main island. It was the first crash of an F-16 out of Misawa since 2002. A military spokesman said the 45 F-16s at Misawa, which is the northernmost U.S. air base in Japan, were grounded pending safety checks. He said an investigation into the cause of the crash was underway. The aircraft was en route to Alaska when it went down the morning of July 22.
 - Source: http://www.militarytimes.com/news/2012/07/ap-f16s-grounded-after-crash-off-japan-072612/
- 10. *July 26*, *Norfolk Virginian-Pilot* (Virginia) **Contractor admits defrauding Newport News shipyard.** A salesman for a defense contractor pleaded guilty July 26 to

defrauding Northrup Grumman and the U.S. Navy out of \$83,000 by inflating the price of cable products. The man, from Glen Allen, Virginia, pleaded guilty to one count of wire fraud in federal court. He faces a recommended prison term of 12-18 months when he is sentenced November 1. He was employed by Anixter Shipboard Group of Richmond which had a contract with Northrop Grumman Newport News Shipyard to supply electronic cable and wire products for general Navy ship repairs. He admitted devising a scheme to defraud the shipyard by fabricating purchase orders through other companies at inflated prices when the products were actually distributed to the shipyard by Anixter. He did this 19 times between 2007 and 2010, resulting in overcharges to the shipyard and ultimately the Navy by \$83,121.

Source: http://hamptonroads.com/2012/07/contractor-admits-defrauding-newport-news-shipyard

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Banking and Finance Sector

11. July 26, IDG News Service – (International) Payment terminal flaws shown at Black **Hat.** Three widely deployed payment terminals have vulnerabilities that could allow attackers to steal credit card data and PIN numbers, according to a pair of security researchers from penetration testing firm MWR InfoSecurity, IDG News Service reported July 26. The vulnerabilities were demonstrated at the Black Hat USA 2012 security conference. The researchers focused on three particular models of terminals, also known as point-of-sale (POS) terminals. Two are popular in England but also used in the United States, while the third is widely deployed in America. The researchers declined to name the exact device models or the firms that manufacture them because they wanted to give vendors time to address the issues. Two devices had vulnerabilities in their payment applications that can give attackers control over various components of the devices, and can be exploited using specially crafted EMV (Chip-and-PIN) cards. The third device, which is popular in the United States, is a more sophisticated device utilizing a touchscreen, a smart card reader, a SIM card to communicate over mobile networks, support for contactless payments, an USB port, and Ethernet port, and an administration interface that can be accessed locally and remotely. The communication between terminals and a remote administration server is not encrypted, which means attackers can interfere with it using techniques like ARP or DNS spoofing to force the payment terminals to communicate with a rogue server. Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9229678/Payment_terminal_flaws_shown_at Black Hat

12. *July 25, Associated Press* – (National) **Ohio grand jury reindicts in Navy charity scam.** An Ohio grand jury reindicted a former fugitive accused of running a \$100 million scam collecting donations for U.S. Navy veterans, the Associated Press reported July 25. The State attorney general said the 24-count indictment against the man reflects new information since two previous indictments in 2010. Charges filed by the Cleveland grand jury included identity fraud and complicity to money laundering. Authorities said it was unclear what the man's true identity is. They said he goes by a

full name and has also signed court documents as Mr. X. They said he defrauded donors in 41 States of up to \$100 million through a bogus Florida-based charity. Some of the money has been found. The man was arrested in Portland, Oregon, in May and pleaded not guilty.

Source:

http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5iQA9UacvTYlRMpYomiIT1B y9mUWQ?docId=2c5bd2c98434426e8ed0c720c586d8f1

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Transportation Sector

13. *July 26, Atlanta Journal Constitution* – (Georgia) **I-75 south in Henry County reopens after hazmat crash.** All southbound lanes of I-75 in Henry County, Georgia were reopened July 26, nearly 6 hours after a tractor trailer hauling a hazardous chemical overturned south of Georgia State Route 155. The truck was hauling methyl bromide, according to the State Department of Transportation (DOT). Some of the chemical, commonly used in pesticides, had spilled into the left lane, the DOT said. The crash also caused extensive damage to the guardrail. Henry County authorities said the driver of the truck was taken to the hospital for treatment of injuries that were not life-threatening.

Source: http://www.ajc.com/news/henry/i-75-south-in-1485023.html

14. *July 25, Associated Press* – (Tennessee; National) **Mississippi River level keeps dropping in Memphis.** The Mississippi River level is continuing to drop, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Memphis, Tennessee, said it was using survey boats and dredges to maintain safe navigation, the Associated Press reported July 25. The National Weather Service said drought has dropped the river's summer level in Memphis to about 13 feet below normal, and it could fall another 2 feet by August 1. The Coast Guard said it has no current plans to close sections of the river. Still, the low levels were causing problems for river barges, which haul goods up and down the waterway. Barges were traveling with smaller loads to allow them to avoid grounding themselves on the river bottom.

Source: http://www.sacbee.com/2012/07/25/4659629/mississippi-river-level-keeps.html

15. July 25, Forbes – (National) Next-gen air traffic control vulnerable to hackers spoofing planes out of thin air. At the Black Hat and Defcon security conference in Las Vegas the week of July 23, two security researchers planned to give separate talks on the same troubling issue: By 2020, a new system known as Automated Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast or ADS-B will be required as the primary mode of aircraft tracking and control for commercial aircraft in the United States, Forbes reported July 25. Researchers said ADS-B lacks the encryption necessary to keep those communications private and the authentication necessary to prevent spoofed communications from mixing with real ones, potentially allowing hackers to fabricate messages and even entire aircraft with radio tools that are cheaper and more accessible than ever before. Without encryption or authentication, ADS-B exposes flyers to more

potential tracking and fails to provide a trusted authority for planes' location to the same degree as radar. Using a software-defined radio, a PC-based receiver and transmitter far more versatile than the average consumer radio, anyone could create a message alerting a tower or a plane to an oncoming jet that does not exist. A Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) spokesperson responded in a statement that the agency "has a thorough process in place to identify and mitigate possible risks to ADS-B, such as intentional jamming," and "conducts ongoing assessments of ADS-B signal vulnerabilities. The contract for the ADS-B ground station network requires continual independent validation of the accuracy and reliability of ADS-B and aircraft avionics signals. An FAA ADS-B security action plan identified and mitigated risks and monitors the progress of corrective action."

Source: http://www.forbes.com/sites/andygreenberg/2012/07/25/next-gen-air-traffic-control-vulnerable-to-hackers-spoofing-planes-out-of-thin-air/

16. July 25, WCMH 4 Columbus – (Ohio) Train derailment caused \$1.22 million in damages. Officials released a preliminary report about the July 11 train derailment and explosion in Columbus, Ohio, WCMH 4 Columbus reported July 25. A Norfolk Southern train with 2 locomotives and 98 freight cars of mixed freight derailed, causing an estimated \$1.22 million in damages according to the report. The train was traveling southbound from Chicago to Linwood, North Carolina. The National Transportation Safety Board said the train was traveling 23 mph on a curve with a speed limit of 25 mph. The train, a little more than a mile long, was carrying 12,319 tons of material, including ethanol, styrene monomer, grain, and corn syrup. Seventeen train cars derailed, there was an explosion, and four train cars caught fire. At the time of the explosion, there were 90,000 gallons of ethanol on the train.

 $Source: \underline{http://www2.nbc4i.com/news/2012/jul/25/report-train-derailment-caused-122-\underline{million-damages-ar-1116057/}$

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Nothing to report

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Agriculture and Food Sector

17. *July 26, Fayetteville Observer* – (North Carolina) **Columbus County hog farm's \$1 million fine to aid wetlands preservation.** A wetlands preservation organization plans to use \$1 million in restitution from a Columbus County, North Carolina hog farm to buy and preserve wetlands in southeastern North Carolina, the Fayetteville Observer reported July 26. Freedman Farms violated the Clean Water Act by dumping waste into a creek from a 4,800-hog operation near Clarkton, federal authorities said. The \$1 million is to be paid over the next 5 years, the U.S. Department of Justice said July 25.

The federal government will give the money to the N.C. Coastal Land Trust, which plans to buy wetlands in the Waccamaw watershed to protect them from development. The land will be held in perpetuity as part of the State park system. Freedman Farms was also fined \$500,000, of which \$75,000 will go to the Southern Environmental Enforcement Network, an organization that provides environmental law enforcement training and information sharing.

Source: http://fayobserver.com/articles/2012/07/26/1192912?sac=fo.business

18. July 25, U.S. Department of Agriculture – (National) Another 76 counties declared disasters. July 25, the U.S. Agriculture Secretary designated 76 additional counties in 6 States as primary natural disaster areas due to damage and losses caused by drought and excessive heat. During the 2012 crop year, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has designated 1,369 counties across 31 States as disaster areas — 1,234 due to drought — making all qualified farm operators in the areas eligible for low-interest emergency loans. The additional counties designated July 25 are in the States of Indiana, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Nebraska, and Wisconsin. The U.S. Drought Monitor reported two-thirds of the continental United States is in a moderate to exceptional drought. During the week of July 16, the portion of the U.S. corn crop rated in very poor to poor condition climbed to 45 percent, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Source: http://www.agprofessional.com/news/Another-76-counties-declared-disasters-163732856.html

19. July 25, U.S. Food and Drug Administration – (National; International) Gills Onions expands voluntary recall of diced and slivered red and yellow onions, and diced onion and celery mix because of possible health risk. Gills Onions, LLC, of Oxnard, California, expanded its July 18 voluntary recall to include additional products because they may be contaminated with Listeria monocytogenes, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) reported July 25. The expanded product list includes diced, slivered, and whole peeled onions and diced onion/celery mix. The recalled products were shipped directly from Gills Onions to retailers in Canada and the following States: Arizona, California, Colorado, Illinois, Montana, New York, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, and Washington. Gills Onions and the FDA have been conducting investigations into the cause of contamination that led to the recall. They found Listeria in the facility where the July 18 recalled product was processed. As a precaution, Gills Onions expanded the recall to include all products processed in that facility and which may still be in the marketplace. The facility has been out of service since July 17.

Source: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm313399.htm

20. *July 25, Kansas City Star* – (Missouri) **Tree-killing emerald ash borer finally reaches KC metro area.** The Missouri Department of Agriculture officially confirmed July 25 that the emerald ash borer, an insect native to Asia that feeds on and kills ash trees, has been found in Platte County. Officials had been watching for its arrival ever since the emerald ash borer was found in southeast Missouri in 2008. Ash trees are common in the metro area, with 40,000 in Kansas City alone. This new confirmation marks the farthest west the insect has ever been found.

Source: http://www.kansascity.com/2012/07/25/3723730/emerald-ash-borer-finally-reaches.html

21. July 25, WKMG 6 Orlando – (Florida) Fire officials: 3 hospitalized in gas leak at Universal Orlando. At least three people were taken to the hospital July 25 as a result of a gas valve leak at the Universal resort in Orlando, Florida, said Orange County fire officials. Fire officials said the gas leak was reported at the Captain America Diner in the Islands of Adventure park. Fire officials said Freon leaked into the kitchen area made three of the workers sick, requiring them to be hospitalized. They have all since been treated and released, according to officials with Universal. Six more workers were treated on the scene, and the diner was closed throughout July 25. Crews shut off the gas valve in the back of the park.

Source: http://www.clickorlando.com/news/Fire-officials-3-hospitalized-in-gas-leak-at-universal-Orlando/-/1637132/15705834/-/11ejlrpz/-/index.html

22. July 24, U.S. Food and Drug Administration – (National) Sartori Inspirations issues voluntary recall of limited number of Ciolo branded dips and spreads because of potential health risk. Sartori Inspirations, LLC, initiated a voluntary recall of a small number of Ciolo branded items made exclusively for Whole Foods Market, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) reported July 24. The items may contain onions from Gills Onions, which may be contaminated by Listeria monocytogenes. This recall comes as a result of a July 18 recall issued by Gills Onions of Oxnard, California, which supplies onions to Sartori. The Gills Onions recall was initiated when the FDA notified the firm that a random sample of diced yellow onions taken at retail tested positive for L. monocytogenes. The products in this recall are tapenades, goudas, cheeses, and salsas. July 20, Sartori asked Whole Foods to request immediate withdrawal of potentially affected Ciolo branded items. Some or all of the recall items were distributed to Whole Foods Market stores in the following States: Colorado, Texas, Connecticut, Washington, and Maryland.

Source: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm313398.htm

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Water Sector

23. July 26, Springfield State Journal-Register – (Illinois) All of Mechanicsburg-Buffalo water system under boil order. All customers of the Mechanicsburg-Buffalo Water Commission were warned July 25 to boil their water following two separate water main breaks. Buffalo, Illinois customers were affected by the first break, which occurred east of Buffalo Mechanicsburg Road. Water was restored 4.5 hours later, the Mechanicsburg-Buffalo Water Commission superintendent said. However, a second break in Mechanicsburg drained the water tower. The break was repaired, but Mechanicsburg and rural residents were added to the boil order as a result. Officials said the boil order probably will last until at least July 27. The system has about 465 hookups. Population in the district is between 1,100 and 1,200 people. About 40 miles

southwest, some residents in Virden also were under a boil order until further notice. Pawnee shut off its water July 20 after an aging water main broke. A boil order there was lifted July 24.

Source: http://www.sj-r.com/top-stories/x1914869364/No-water-in-Buffalo-due-to-water-main-break

24. *July 26, Montpelier Times Argus* – (Vermont) **Chlorine-laced wastewater accidentally discharged.** Vermont officials were investigating the discharge of more than half a million gallons of chlorine-laced wastewater from the St. Albans, Vermont wastewater plant. The State Department of Environmental Conservation deputy commissioner said 507,000 gallons of wastewater mixed with chlorine was released into Stevens Brook July 24. Stevens Brooks feeds into Lake Champlain, but the commissioner told the Burlington Free Press it was unlikely large amounts of the chlorine-treated water made it into the lake. The wastewater plant treats sewage in part with chlorine. The commission said a July 23 thunderstorm might have helped prevent or limit damage from the chlorine.

Source: http://www.timesargus.com/article/20120726/THISJUSTIN/120729952

- 25. July 26, Buffalo News (New York) Amherst sanctioned for creek **pollution.** Amherst, New York, was fined \$20,000 and will have to spend millions more to upgrade its sewage treatment plant after dumping high levels of ammonia and oxygen-depleting water into Tonawanda Creek over the course of more than a year, the Buffalo News reported July 26. The sanction by the State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is the largest known penalty to be levied against the town for wastewater treatment plant violations and will have long-term implications for town finances. The consent order being issued by the DEC will require the town to spend from \$125,000 to \$500,000 in 2012 to complete a top-to-bottom assessment of its sewage plant and then create a short-term and long-term action plan for addressing major deficiencies. According to the Buffalo News, all of the region's sewage treatment plants, including Tonawanda's and the city of Buffalo's, were built or vastly expanded after the passage of the Clean Water Act in 1972 and have reached the end of their life expectancy, requiring huge expenditures for upgrades, overhauls, repairs, and replacements. Violations and consent orders are common to all three plants. Source: http://www.buffalonews.com/city/article965849.ece
- 26. July 26, Daytona Beach News-Journal (Florida) Water restored to 200 New Smyrna Beach homes left without water this morning. Crews have repaired a 6-inch water main break that left about 255 homes in New Smyrna Beach, Florida, without water for about 11 hours July 26, a utilities commission spokeswoman said. She said the break occurred between two 6-inch valves, and the flow of water exposed a rupture at a former repair spot, next to a full circle clamp on the 6-inch pipe. Workers installed 20 feet of new pipe, and replaced an isolation valve. A precautionary boil water notice was issued for a 24-48 hour period.

Source: http://www.news-journalonline.com/breakingnews/2012/07/water-main-break-leaves-homes-in-new-smyrna-beach-without-water.html

27. July 25, Associated Press – (Pennsylvania) EPA: Water is safe in town in Pa. drilling region. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) said July 25 tests on drinking water in the northeastern Pennsylvania village of Dimock determined it is safe to drink, despite the claims of some residents who say it has been polluted by gas drilling. The EPA said in a statement it will not conduct further tests, and that there is no need to provide residents with alternative drinking water. Some Dimock residents and anti-drilling groups claimed Houston-based Cabot Oil & Gas Corp. polluted the local aquifer with methane and toxic chemicals. They disputed earlier EPA findings that the water was safe.

Source: http://www.businessweek.com/ap/2012-07-25/epa-water-is-safe-in-town-in-padot-drilling-region

28. July 25, Business Wire – (New Jersey) New Jersey American Water completes emergency water main repairs. Crews completed repairs on a leaking 60-inch water transmission main in Voorhees, New Jersey, that distributes water to more than 55,000 customers the night of July 24. Since the leak surfaced late the week of July 16, New Jersey American Water made preparations to repair the water main which lies 14 feet underground and immediately adjacent to the Royce Brook in Manville. As New Jersey American Water began work to unearth the source of the leak, customers in 18 municipalities in 4 counties were asked to conserve water and curtail outdoor water use for 24 hours. With repairs complete, customers may resume normal water use. Source: http://finance.vahoo.com/news/jersey-american-water-completes-emergency-142900369.html

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

29. July 26, New Hampshire Union Leader – (National) Hepatitis C probe now in 8 states. Health officials confirmed July 25 that the former medical technician at Exeter Hospital in Exeter, New Hampshire who was accused of spreading hepatitis C also worked in Pennsylvania, bringing to the total number of States where he was employed to at least eight. The announcement came as Exeter Hospital lowered the number of patients to be tested at public clinics at Exeter High School from 6,000 to 3,400. New Hampshire health officials announced July 24 they were expanding testing to those who were admitted to the ICU and who underwent inpatient surgeries between April 1, 2011, and May 25, 2012, after learning the former employee had access to those units. The technician was accused of infecting 30 Exeter Hospital patients in its cardiac catheterization lab by shooting up the powerful painkiller Fentanyl and then returning tainted syringes to be used on other patients. Before arriving at Exeter, the technician worked in hospitals around the country as a traveling medical technician who filled temporary jobs. In addition to Pennsylvania and New Hampshire, the technician was also being investigated for work at hospitals in Arizona, Georgia, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, and New York.

Source: http://www.unionleader.com/article/20120726/NEWS12/707269913

- 30. *July* 25, *Associated Press* (West Virginia) **W.Va. man arrested after shooting at wife's work.** A man was arrested July 24 after police said he walked into a Cabell Huntington Hospital medical building in Huntington, West Virginia, threatened to shoot his wife, and then fired a shot near her and a co-worker. He was arrested following a 45-minute standoff with police at his home. He was charged with two counts of wanton endangerment, and one count of domestic assault. The incident took place in a second-floor office area. There were no patients present.

 Source: http://www.wetzelchronicle.com/page/content.detail/id/247845/W-Va--man-arrested-after-shooting-at-wife-s-work-.html?isap=1&nav=5059
- 31. July 25, Tampa Bay Times (Florida; Georgia) More than 300 patients' records taken from Hillsborough County Health Department. More than 300 patients of Florida's Hillsborough County Health Department were offered free credit monitoring services after the agency discovered records were printed by an administrative support employee February 15, according to a June 27 letter from the health department. The records included the patient's full name, Social Security number, date of birth, patient ID number, and type of visit. In May, several people were arrested in Georgia with a partial copy of the list that included 187 names, said a department spokesman. Georgia authorities notified the department May 25 and the agency called in the Office of the Inspector General of the Florida Department of Health. Together, officials determined who they thought was responsible for stealing the data and fired them. The spokesman said he did not know if there was a direct connection between the fired employee and the suspects in Georgia. The Tampa Police Department turned the case over to the Internal Revenue Service. The incident changed digital record keeping policies at the health department. All but 16 affected patients were contacted.

Source: http://www.tampabay.com/news/publicsafety/crime/more-than-300-patients-records-taken-from-hillsborough-county-health/1242146

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32. *July 26, Mystic River Press* – (Connecticut) **Wrong-way driver prompted sub base lock down.** Naval Submarine Base New London, Connecticut, was locked down for approximately an hour and a half July 25 after a vehicle entered the base through the outbound lanes at its main gate, according to a press release from the base's public affairs office. The release said the base was on lockdown from roughly 9:15 to 10:45 a.m. while sub base security teams did a "thorough investigation" and a "complete sweep of the base," both of which are standard security protocols. Notifying local authorities is also part of the base's security protocol, the release said. The investigation is ongoing, according to the release. The base was closed to inbound and outbound traffic during the lockdown. The base is the home port for about 16 nuclear-powered attack submarines.

Source: http://www.thewesterlysun.com/mysticriverpress/news_now/wrong-way-

<u>driver-prompted-sub-base-lock-down/article_62aceb38-d66d-11e1-ac73-001a4bcf887a.html</u>

33. July 25, Houston Chronicle – (Texas) Rice University building evacuated after ammonia leak in chemistry lab. A building on Rice University's campus in Houston, Texas, was evacuated July 25 because of an ammonia leak, according to a campus alert. The Rice University Police Department said crews were repairing the leak on the fourth floor of Dell Butcher Hall. A Rice spokesman said there was a valve on a tank of ammonia that did not close completely and a small amount went into the chemical exhaust. The Houston fire department chief said the leak was from a 200-pound cylinder in an organic chemistry lab in the building. He said firefighters could not determine a specific reason why it leaked. Two HAZMAT units and close to 80 firefighters responded. The building would reopen after investigators conducted a wide sweep of the area, the fire chief said. Several campus roads were closed.

Source: http://www.chron.com/news/houston-texas/article/Rice-University-building-evacuated-after-ammonia-3734821.php

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Emergency Services Sector

34. July 25, San Francisco Chronicle – (California) Oakland police radios fail during U.S. President's visit. A major portion of Oakland, California's troubled police radio system failed shortly after the U.S. President's visit July 23, leaving many of the 100 officers assigned to handle presidential security unable to communicate as protesters roamed the streets, police said July 25. Police said officers were suffering sporadic communications problems throughout the time the President was inside the Fox Theater on Telegraph Avenue, as well as before and afterward. The communications issues became severe late, about an hour after the President left Oakland, city officials said. At that point, police were keeping an eye on demonstrators who had protested during his visit and lingered after he left, blocking streets. The protests were largely peaceful. The year-old system has been plagued by breakdowns and dead zones that have left officers' digital radios prone to blackouts across the city and in most commercial buildings, including the basement of police headquarters. According to city officials, the problems late July 23 were caused by the failure of a cooling unit used on a transmission tower at Gwin Reservoir.

Source: http://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/Oakland-police-radios-fail-during-Obama-visit-3736022.php

35. *July 25, KCBS 2 Los Angeles* – (California) **78 inmates involved in jail riot at Twin Towers.** Four inmates got into a fight at the Twin Towers Correctional Facility in Los Angeles that evolved into a jail riot July 25, said a captain with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. Law enforcement officers used pepper spray and sting balls to stop the melee, he said. The fighting lasted for about 15 minutes and no deputies were injured. As a precaution, jail medical staff treated all 78 inmates for exposure to pepper spray. Several hours later, seven inmates were transported to a local hospital for minor to moderate injuries. Initial reports by the Los Angeles Fire Department estimated

about a dozen inmates had been injured as a result of the riot. Source: http://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2012/07/25/jail-riot-leaves-dozens-injured/

36. July 25, Montgomery Media – (Pennsylvania) Emergency responders in Montgomery County dealing with communications, radio problems. Emergency dispatchers were having difficulty reaching police and fire crews on the street for unknown reasons, a Montgomery County, Pennsylvania spokesman said the afternoon of July 25. The communications director said 9-1-1 calls were going through, though the county's communications system was temporarily degraded because of complications connecting dispatchers to police and fire units. The problem was specific to Verizon communications lines. According to a Situational Awareness Report issued by the Montgomery County Office of Emergency Management, due to a failure of several Verizon T-1 lines, connectivity was lost to four radio towers. As a result, the receiving/transmitting signal was significantly impacted in many areas, including Plymouth, Whitemarsh, and Norristown. In Chester and Delaware counties, residents reported a total loss of wire lines and landline phone capabilities.

Source:

http://www.montgomerynews.com/articles/2012/07/25/montgomery_life/news/doc501 04263cff17387390757.txt?viewmode=fullstory

37. July 25, KRIV 26 Houston – (Texas) Power outage at 1 jail knocks out visitation at all jails. A power outage at one Harris County sheriff's detention center in Houston knocked out visitation hours at all detention centers for July 25. The outage happened at the detention center in the 700 block of North San Jacinto, according to the sheriff's office. The outage has only affected certain parts of the building, including the public elevators in the lobby. CenterPoint Energy was working to get the power on. A sheriff's office spokesman said the inmates are fine. Visitation was scheduled to resume July 28 at normal hours.

 ${\bf Source: } \underline{http://www.myfoxhouston.com/story/19113394/2012/07/25/power-outage-at-\underline{1-jail-knocks-out-visitation-at-all-jails}$

38. *July 25, Associated Press* – (New York) **Teen aimed laser at police helicopter.** Police in Long Island, New York, said a teenager aimed a green laser at a police helicopter. Suffolk County police said it happened late July 24 while the helicopter was conducting a search in the vicinity of Brentwood. Police said the teenager pointed the laser into the cockpit of the helicopter. Police said he was released to the custody of his mother. Suffolk County police and FBI officials were investigating whether the teen was responsible for other laser incidents.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.myfoxny.com/story/19116081/ny-police-teen-aimed-laser-at-police-helicopter \#ixzz21jq301sg}$

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Information Technology Sector

39. July 26, H Security – (International) IBM closes holes in mail filters and WebSphere MQ. IBM patched two security flaws in the mail filters of Lotus Protector for Mail Security and Proventia Network Mail Security that affect all versions of these products. A cross-site scripting vulnerability allows an attacker to inject JavaScript code into the browser of an administrator with an active session on the system. The other vulnerability allows administrators to gain access to files on a server that they should not have access to. Both vulnerabilities were patched for versions 2.5.x, 2.8.x, and later of the affected products. Users with older versions of the software must upgrade to version 2.5.x before they can install the patch. IBM also patched a flaw in version 7.1 of its WebSphere MQ communication platform. The vulnerability allows users to access the queue manager even if they are not allowed to do so. This problem is fixed in Fix Pack 7.1.0.1 for WebSphere MQ.

Source: http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/IBM-closes-holes-in-mail-filters-and-WebSphere-MQ-1653340.html

40. *July 26*, *H Security* – (International) **Password leak at meetOne.** A data leak at the meetOne dating site allowed anyone to access private data, including the plaintext passwords, email addresses, and real names of the site's approximately 900,000 members. To obtain the data, an attacker simply needed to increment a URL parameter. After they were informed by the H's associates at heise Security, the operators closed the hole.

Source: http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Password-leak-at-meetOne-1652783.html

41. *July 26*, *V3.co.uk* – (International) **Madi Trojan may be targeting UK firms.** Securlert, one of the two firms that helped discover the Madi trojan, warned infections were spreading far wider than initially estimated: "Looking deeper into the Mahdi victims' IP addresses, we did find a few dozen IP addresses which seem to be from non-Middle Eastern countries, such as the US and UK," the firm warned. The news followed a warning from Kaspersky Lab that a new more dangerous form of Madi emerged, with improved espionage powers that lets its authors monitor conversations, such as those on instant messaging system Jabber, or European social network VKontakte. Securlert also reported discovering a possible link to the Flame malware, reportedly finding an identifier prefix labeled "Flame" being used by Madi's command and control (C&C) server.

Source: http://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/2194475/madi-trojan-may-be-targeting-uk-firms

42. *July 26*, *H Security* – (International) **Oracle's file converter holes endanger many server services.** Some of the holes Oracle closed the week of July 16 affect more than just Oracle software, because Oracle's Outside In library is used in many other products to convert files of different formats. As well as Microsoft's Exchange Server and SharePoint, products from Cisco, HP, IBM, Novell, Symantec, McAfee, and others are affected. More precisely, it is not a single hole, but 14 holes in the parsing of certain types of tile. The affected file formats are .VSD, .WSD, .JP2, .DOC, .SXD, .LWP,

.PCX, .SXI, .DPT, .PDF, .SAM, .ODG, and .CDR. A program that opens a specially crafted file with the Oracle libraries is fundamentally compromised. A range of server services are affected, including antivirus scanners like McAfee GroupShield, but also specific desktop applications that need to handle different file types, such as the Guidance EnCase Forensic toolkit. One of the U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT) advisories lists a number of companies and products that use the Oracle libraries and are also vulnerable. It is still unclear whether all products that use Outside In are vulnerable. Microsoft has a dedicated advisory published on the vulnerability. It is also unknown whether, or when, the various manufacturers will have patches for their products ready for customers.

Source: http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Oracle-s-file-converter-holes-endanger-many-server-services-1653568.html

- 43. July 26, Help Net Security (International) Crisis OS X Trojan is an effective spy tool. The Crisis/Morcut OS X malware recently discovered via samples submitted to VirusTotal was more than a backdoor trojan, Sophos researchers said after analyzing it. Its ultimate goal is to spy on the user, and it does so by monitoring mouse coordinates, instant messenger applications, the built-in webcam and microphone, clipboard contents, pressed keys, calendar data and alerts, address book contents, URLs visited by the user, and more in short, it is a very thorough spying tool. The trojan also persists after reboots, and contacts remote servers for instructions, likely for the exfiltration of the collected information. The trojan was known to affect the 10.6 and 10.7 versions of OS X, but it is still unknown whether the newly released OS X Mountain Lion is susceptible, too. The malware was yet to be spotted in the wild, and the signatures for detecting it are already incorporated in most Mac antivirus solutions. Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2200&utm
- 44. *July 25, H Security* (International) **Safari 6 addresses numerous security vulnerabilities.** Apple published version 6.0 of its Safari Web browser for OS X 10.7 Lion July 25, closing numerous security holes. According to the company, the major update addresses more than 120 vulnerabilities found in the previous 5.x branch. Among the holes closed were problems in the handling of feed:// URLs that could have led to cross-site scripting (XSS) attacks or users' files being sent to a remote server. A bug in the autocomplete system used by Safari, which may have resulted in passwords being automatically inserted even when a site specifies that it should not be, was fixed, as was an XSS issue caused by opening maliciously crafted files on certain pages. Source: http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Safari-6-addresses-numerous-security-vulnerabilities-1652411.html
- 45. *July 25, Ars Technica* (International) **Android, Nokia smartphone security toppled by Near Field Communication hack.** A new technology being added to smartphones running the Google Android and Linux-based MeeGo operating systems makes it trivial for hackers to electronically hijack handsets that are in close proximity, a researcher appearing at the Black Hat security conference said. By exploiting multiple security weakness in the industry standard known as Near Field Communication (NFC), the smartphone hacker can take control of handsets made by Samsung and Nokia. The attack works by putting the phone a few centimeters away from a quarter-

sized chip, or touching it to another NFC-enabled phone. Code on the attacker-controlled chip or handset is beamed to the target phone over the air, then opens malicious files or Web pages that exploit known vulnerabilities in a document reader or browser, or in some cases in the operating system itself.

Source: http://arstechnica.com/security/2012/07/android-nokia-smartphone-hack/

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Communications Sector

46. *July 25*, *WTAP 15 Parkersburg* – (West Virginia; Ohio) **WTAP transmitter off air periodically this week.** Work by WTAP 15 Parkersburg, West Virginia, on its main tower the week of July 23, getting its new CBS station ready to go on the air caused its stations in West Virginia and Ohio to go off the air periodically throughout the week. The work did not affect CAS or Suddenlink Cable customers or satellite viewers. Source: http://www.wtap.com/news/headlines/WTAP--163704636.html?ref=636

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Commercial Facilities Sector

47. *July 26*, *Jersey Journal* – (New Jersey) **Bayonne police say report of bomb threat triggers evacuation of whole block in midtown.** A bomb scare forced an evacuation of a city block in Bayonne, New Jersey, July 25 and drew a massive law enforcement response. The scare was caused when someone at a Radio Shack reported a bomb threat to police, officials said. Law enforcement evacuated the entire block. The threat was determined to be unfounded and the block was reopened later July 25. "We treat every threat as credible," said officials, adding that authorities did what was required by standard operating procedure. An observer remarked that the police emptying of the block was done very efficiently. "Little by little we all got evacuated," the observer said.

Source: http://www.nj.com/jjournal-news/index.ssf/2012/07/bayonne_police_say_report_of_b.html

48. *July 26*, *Newton New Jersey Herald* – (New Jersey) **5 hurt on water ride at Mountain Creek.** A ride at the Mountain Creek Waterpark in Vernon, New Jersey, was

temporarily closed after five people sustained what were described as minor injuries July 25. The Gauley is a summer draw at the Mountain Creek Waterpark. About a halfdozen vinyl circular tubes, each carrying a rider, backed up in an 8-foot-wide section halfway through the ride and just before entering the tunnel. The Mountain Creek Resort president said five people sustained bumps, bruises, and minor abrasions. Two were placed on back boards as a precaution and all were taken to a hospital. The Gauley was immediately closed and would remain closed pending an investigation by the State Division of Consumer Affairs. The resort president said State investigators would visit July 26. The remainder of the water park remained open. Source: http://www.njherald.com/story/19116238/5-hurt-on-water-ride-at-mountain-

creek

49. July 26, WUSA 9 Washington, D.C.; Associated Press – (Maryland) Blaze tears through Rockville furniture store. Authorities said two firefighters were injured July 25 while battling a two-alarm blaze at a Rockville, Maryland furniture store. Officials said about 85 firefighters were called to battle the fire at the Marlo Furniture store. Two firefighters were taken to a hospital with non-life-threatening, heat-related injuries. The assistant chief said the fire was on the second floor and roof of the building. The fire also forced officials to shut down traffic on the Rockville Pike July 25. Rockville Pike reopened later that evening.

Source: http://washington.cbslocal.com/2012/07/26/blaze-tears-through-rockvillefurniture-store/

- 50. July 26, WNBC 4 New York (New York) 4 NYC beachgoers stuck by needles in sand. Four people walking or playing on New York City beaches have suffered puncture wounds from needles in the sand in the last 3 weeks, park officials said. The most recent incident happened July 24 in Queens, when a lifeguard on duty at Rockaway Beach stepped on a needle at 139th Street, officials said. The other three incidents happened on Staten Island: July 16 a woman stepped on a hypodermic needle on Cedar Grove Beach, cutting her foot; July 14 a man was stuck in the hand by a needle while he was on the sand at South Beach; and July 4 a man was stuck by a needle at South Beach. Parks Department promised in June to clean up a stretch of Rockaway Beach after WNBC 4 New York discovered medical waste, including syringes, littering the sand. The department said July 25 it conducts daily beach cleanings, but strict budgets only allow for so much sand maintenance. Source: http://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/Needles-NYC-Beachers-Syringes-Staten-Island-Parks-Department-163802826.html
- 51. July 26, Fox News (Florida) More than 30 people sickened at Walt Disney World. Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida, has teamed up with health officials to determine the cause of a mysterious stomach bug that has affected more than 30 guests of the amusement park in June and July, cfnews13.com reported July 26. All of the guests participated in Disney's Wild Africa Trek, a 3-hour paid excursion that ends with a safari-style dinner. The Orange County Health Department (OCHD) learned of the illnesses June 11 and inspectors were sent to Disney World's Animal Kingdom to investigate food prep areas. "Two of those inspections showed no problems, no health violations," said an OCHD spokesperson. Guests reported symptoms such as stomach

pain, vomiting and diarrhea. Disney officials said the affected area went through a "deep clean," and they have increased measures to promote hand-washing and use of hand sanitizer, a notice on clickorlando.com stated.

Source: http://www.foxnews.com/health/2012/07/26/more-than-30-people-sickened-at-walt-disney-world/

52. July 26, WNBC 4 New York – (New York) Firefighter critically injured in 6-alarm BK blaze that displaced scores of residents. Two dozen firefighters have been hurt, one critically, in a six-alarm fire in the Wingate neighborhood of Brooklyn, New York, that fire officials believed was sparked by lightning, authorities said. More than 200 firefighters battled the fire at the seven-story apartment building July 26. One civilian was treated on the scene, fire officials said. The fire was reported under control later July 26, about 3.5 hours after it started, the New York City Fire Department (FDNY) said. The entire seventh floor of the building was gutted and hundreds of tenants were displaced, officials said. The complex houses 115 residential units. Fire marshals have yet to determine for certain whether lightning was the cause, according to an FDNY spokesman. Representatives from the Red Cross responded.

Source: http://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/Brooklyn-Fire-Firefighters-FDNY-Five-Alarm-Bushwick-163860226.html?@345zsdf

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National Monuments and Icons Sector

53. July 26, Reuters – (Arkansas; Nebraska) Nebraska wildfires rage as dry heat scorches central U.S. Firefighters in three Nebraska counties battled expanding wildfires July 25, and the entire town of Ola, Arkansas was evacuated because of an approaching fire, as the central part of the United States suffered through another day of stifling heat. Large fires were raging in Nebraska, where 72,400 acres had been consumed in the drought-stricken north central region of the State by July 25, authorities said. Weeks of 100-plus degree temperatures have destroyed many dryland crops across Nebraska leaving areas more susceptible to wildfires, and made conditions for firefighters nearly unbearable. A portion of the Niobrara River was declared off limits for public use and a part of Nebraska Highway 12 was closed, but reopened July 25. The Ainsworth area Chamber of Commerce pleaded for help July 25, citing the loss of grazing land for cattle and the loss of structures. Donations will be used to buy feed and hay for cattle, fencing supplies and other ranching needs, it said on its Web site. Source: http://www.propertycasualty360.com/2012/07/26/nebraska-wildfires-rage-as-dry-heat-scorches-centr?t=es-specialty

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Dams Sector

54. July 25, KRCR 7 Redding – (California) 4 out of 6 turbines are offline at Oroville Dam. The California Department of Water Resources said water being released from Lake Oroville in California was not going where it usually does because four out of six turbines are shut down, KRCR 7 Redding reported July 25. The turbines generate power for the system that moves water throughout the Northstate region as part of the State Water Project. With slightly less than half of the water bypassing the turbines, the department said it would take longer to deliver water where it needs to go. The turbines have been taken offline for ongoing repairs. The department did not think anyone would be affected by the stoppage. The water resources department will add two more turbines at the beginning of August, and all turbines will be running at the end of August.

Source: http://www.krcrtv.com/news/local/4-Out-of-6-Turbines-Are-Offline-At-Oroville-Dam/-/14322302/15711538/-/uwrqlj/-/index.html

55. July 25, London Independent – (International) Brazilian Indians hold three Amazon dam engineers hostage after talks break down. Indians were holding 3 engineers hostage at one of the work sites of the massive Belo Monte dam in Brazil's Amazon jungle following the breakdown of talks on the project's environmental impact. An official of the Norte Energia consortium building the dam said the engineers were being held against their will. According to a statement by an activist group assisting the Indians living in region, the engineers will be released after the consortium addresses the environmental concerns of indigenous groups. When completed, the \$11 billion, 11,000-megawatt dam will be the world's third largest.

Source: http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/brazilian-indians-hold-three-amazon-dam-engineers-hostage-after-talks-break-down-7976517.html

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